

HOUSE BILL 3380

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 11,
Chapter 1; Title 11, Chapter 5; Title 60; Title 68
and Title 69, relative to oil and gas resources.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 11-5-103, is amended by designating the existing language as subsection (a) and adding the following language as a new subsection (b):

(b) The geological division shall be the exclusive agency to provide assistance to the state oil and gas board, created by § 60-1-201, in carrying out the board's regulatory responsibilities.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 60-1-103, is amended by adding the following language at the end of subdivision (a)(3):

Implementation of the plan shall not be required prior to issuance of a permit.

Implementation of any component of the plan concerning preparation of access roads to drilling sites for oil or gas shall not be required prior to the commencement of production of oil or gas.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 60, Chapter 1, Part 1, is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated section:

60-1-1__.

(a) Persons qualified as site coordinators at oil or gas drilling sites shall not be required to receive site coordinator educational training on drilling rules and regulations as a condition to working in such capacity, but shall certify in writing to the supervisor that they have read and understand any drilling rules and regulations promulgated by the board.

(b) Persons qualified as drill coordinators at oil or gas drilling sites shall not be required to receive site coordinator educational training on drilling rules and regulations as a condition to serving in such capacity.

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 60-1-206, is amended by designating the existing language as subsection (a) and adding the following as a new subsection:

(b) For all purposes, the board shall be attached to the division of geology, created by § 11-5-101.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.